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For:

DAMAGE-RESISTANT SUPERABSORBENT MATERIALS

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- Thirty-two (32) pages of specification, one (1) cover sheet, six (6) pages of claims (Claims 1-28), one (1) page of Abstract, and two (2) sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-4).
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